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IT'S OFFICIAL!

As of July 1, 2003, the Board must verify that an applicant for license renewal has paid or made satisfactory arrangements for payment of state taxes and unemployment insurance contributions before the license can be renewed.

You should make every attempt to pay any taxes due without delay!!!

COMAR 10.31.02 Tax Compliance Regulations

.01 Definitions.

- A. In this chapter, the following terms have the meanings indicated.
- B. Terms defined.

(1) "Board" means a health occupation board regulated under the Health Occupations Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, with the exception of the boards of:

- (a) Audiologists, Hearing Aid Dispensers, and Speech-Language Pathologists;
- (b) Dietetic Practice;
- (c) Nursing; and
- (d) Examiners in Optometry.

(2) "Delinquent" means the failure by a certificate holder, licensee, registration holder, or permit holder, to pay all undisputed taxes and unemployment insurance contributions, as determined by the Office of the Comptroller or the Secretary of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation, in a manner satisfactory to the unit of the State responsible for collection of the payment.

(3) "Renewal license" means any license, permit, certification, or registration granted by the Board for the period immediately following a period for which the person previously possessed the same or a substantially similar license, permit, certification, or registration.

(4) "Verification" means a written or electronic notification created by the unit of the State responsible for collection of taxes or unemployment insurance contributions attesting that the renewal applicant is no longer delinquent.

.02 Outstanding Taxes or Unemployment Insurance Contributions.

A. If a renewal applicant has been identified as delinquent by the Office of the Comptroller or the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation, the Board shall issue a written notice to the renewal applicant stating that:

(1) The renewal applicant has been identified by the Office of the Comptroller or the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation as delinquent in the payment of taxes or unemployment insurance contributions as applicable; and

(2) The renewal license will be denied if a verification is not submitted to the Board within 30 days after the notice is issued or before the expiration date of the current certificate, license, registration, or permit, whichever is later.

B. If the Board does not receive a verification within 30 days after the Board issued the notice or before the expiration date of the current certificate, license, registration, or permit, whichever is later, the Board shall:

- (1) Deny the license; and
- (2) Inform the renewal applicant in writing that the renewal license has been denied.

Please note that those boards identified in §10.38.02.01B(1) have since published similar regulations.

Did you know?

⇒ Not renewing your license and working after the expiration date is a violation of the Practice Act. This situation not only puts your license in jeopardy but your employer as well!

⇒ The next law course will be held in June 2004. Call now to get on the list - this course is very popular!

⇒ There's a \$100 fine for not keeping this Board informed of address changes.

⇒ In the near future, you will have the option of online renewal - yippee!!!!!!!



Disciplinary Actions

The following disciplinary actions have been taken since January 2003. Copies of Final Orders are posted on our web site - dhmh.state.md.us/bphc - in PDF format. Please note that most of the actions were a result of one complaint.

George Ayers, PT

Voluntarily surrendered license - effective March 10, 2003

Terry Forman, PT - One year probation - effective May 20, 2003

Lunell Brown-Collins, PT

Two-year probation - effective May 20, 2003

Patricia Keyser, PTA - One year probation - effective May 20, 2003

Alice Cheung, PT - Voluntarily surrendered license - effective November 18, 2003

Melissa S. Leibman, PTA - One year probation - effective May 20, 2003

John Cuslc, PT - Two-year probation - effective May 20, 2003

Yolanda Lewis-Felton, PTA - Two-year suspension, stayed, two-year probation - effective September 23, 2003

Kelly Eberwein DeLyannis, PT - Reprimanded October 28, 2003

Josephine Mansola, PT - Reprimand and a four-year probation - effective March 4, 2003

Keith Donovan, PT - Indefinite suspension as of April 1, 2003

Bernadette Marsiglia, PT - One year probation - effective May 20, 2003

Diana Engler, PT - Two-year probation - effective May 20, 2003

Darren McCleary, PTA - Two-year probation - effective May 20, 2003

Alberto Fuentes, II, PT - One year probation - effective June 17, 2003

Monica McNelli, PT - One year probation - effective May 20, 2003

Glendalyn Fodra, PT - One year suspension with all but three months stayed; then a four-year probation - effective March 4, 2003

Marsha Meyer, PT - Two-year probation - effective September 23, 2003

Joanne O'Neill Meyers, PT - One year probation - effective May 20, 2003

Rodonna Needles, PT - Reprimand and a four-year probation - effective March 4, 2003

Kellie C. Patterson, PTA - One year probation - effective May 20, 2003

David Reinhardt, PTA - Two-year probation - effective March 28, 2003

Kelly Garner Runfola, PT - One year probation - effective May 20, 2003

Samuel Runfola, PT - One year probation - effective May 20, 2003

Sheila Schaffer, PT - Two-year probation - effective May 20, 2003

Michael G. Schmitt, PT - Reprimand - effective October 28, 2003

Jeremy Stanwix, PT - Two-year probation - effective May 20, 2003

Steven Steinberg, PT - One year probation - effective May 20, 2003

Scott Wasserman, PT - One year probation - effective May 20, 2003

Justin White, PT - Reprimand and a two-year probation - effective July 22, 2003

James A. Williams, PT - One year suspension, stayed; one year probation - effective June 17, 2003

******* [REDACTED] ***** Two-year suspension, all but 30 days stayed; two-year probation, effective October 28, 2003**

CHANGE OF ADDRESS?

Failure to keep your address current will result in a \$100 fine.

Name: _____

License # _____

Old Address: _____

New Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____

Zip +4: _____

Phone Number: (____) _____

Mail this form to the Board of Physical Therapy, 4201 Patterson Avenue, Baltimore MD 21215-2299 or fax to (410)358-1183. Ladies - a copy of your marriage certificate, divorce decree, etc. is needed for name changes.

DUPLICATE LICENSES ARE NOT ISSUED FOR NAME CHANGES!